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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-10. (Canceled).

11. (Currently Amended) A mask for use during deposition of a luminescent layer of an organic electroluminescent device, the mask comprising:

a plurality of holes aligned uniformly running and in parallel to each other along an axis of the mask, including at least one angled surface formed on at least one sidewherein an entire inner circumferential edge of each of the plurality of holes; and a plurality of bridges located between the plurality of holes, wherein each bridge includes angled surface portions formed on each inner side surface thereof is formed by first and second angled surfaces, and wherein each of the plurality of holes has a shape and a size corresponding to a pixel region of the organic electroluminescent device, wherein such that each of the plurality of holes is configured to block an adjacent sub-pixel area during deposition of an organic electroluminescent device; and

a plurality of bridges, wherein one of the plurality of bridges extends between respective ends of adjacent holes of the plurality of holes, wherein a thickness of each of the plurality of bridges is less than a thickness of the mask in areas of the mask having no angled

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surface portions.

12-19. (Canceled).

- 20. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 29, wherein <u>a shapes</u> of the <u>inner circumferential edge defined by the first and second angled surfaces formed is symmetric</u> on opposing sides of the strip-type slots-are symmetric.
- 21. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 20, wherein opposing sides of each of the strip-type slots are perpendicular to a side of a corresponding side of the strip-type slots adjacent to a bridge of the plurality of bridges.
 - 22. (Cancelled)
- 23. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 2220, wherein a surface area of a the first upper angled surface is substantially the same as a surface area of a the second upper angled surface.

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- 24. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim <u>2220</u>, wherein a surface area of <u>the first and second upper</u> angled surfaces is different from a surface area of <u>first and the</u> second <u>lower</u> angled surfaces.
- 25. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 2220, wherein a width and a height of a the first upper angled surface are the same as a width and a height of a the second upper angled surface.
- 26. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 2220, wherein a width and a height of the first and second upper angled surfaces are different from a width and a height of the first and the second lower angled surfaces.

27-28. (Canceled)

- 29. (Currently Amended) A mask for use during deposition of a luminescent layer of an organic electroluminescent device, the mask comprising:
- a plurality of strip-type slots aligned uniformly running and in parallel to each other along an axis, wherein an alignment of a first row of the plurality of strip-type slots is different from an alignment of a second row of the plurality of strip-type slots, wherein the

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plurality of strip-type slots are arranged so as to block adjacent deposition areas during deposition of material during fabrication of an organic electroluminescent device; and

at least one a first angled surface formed on at least one inner side surface and a second angled surface that defines an inner circumferential edge of each of the plurality of striptype slots wherein an alignment of a first of the plurality of strip-type slots is different from an alignment of a second of the plurality of strip-type slots, wherein the plurality of strip-type slots are arranged so as to block adjacent deposition areas during deposition of material during fabrication of an organic electroluminescent device.

- 30. (Previously Presented) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the axis is an x-axis.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the axis is a y-axis.
- 32. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the first <u>row of</u> strip-type slots is adjacent to the second <u>row of strip-type slots such that the strip-type slots</u> positioned in the first row are parallel to the strip-type slots in the second row, and the strip-type slots positioned in the first row are staggered relative to the strip-type slots positioned in the second row.

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- 33. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the an alignment of the strip-type slots is the same for alternating strip-slotsrows.
- 34. (Currently Amended) The mask according to claim 29, wherein <u>a</u> shapes of the strip-type slots <u>can beis</u> rectangular, oval, polygonal, or circular.

35-36. (Canceled)

37. (Previously Presented) The mask according to claim 11, wherein the plurality of holes are circular, polygonal, oval, or rectangular.

38-39. (Cancelled)

- 40. (Previously Presented) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the areas of the mask positioned between adjacent slots comprise bridges extending between the adjacent holes.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The mask according to claim 40, wherein each slot has an angled surface formed along its full inner perimeter surface.
 - 42. (New) The mask according to claim 11, wherein a width of each of the plurality of

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holes is greater at its upper and lower circumferential edges than a corresponding width of each of the plurality of holes at a portion where the first and second angled surfaces meet.

- 43. (New) The mask according to claim 11, wherein the first and second angled surfaces each extend uniformly alont the entire inner circumferential edge of each hole.
- 44. (New) The mask according to claim 43, wherein the first angled surface extends from an upper surface portion of the mask that defines its respective hole toward an interior portion of its respective hole, and the second angled surface extends from a distal end of the first angled surface to a lower surface portion of the mask that defines its respective hole.
- 45. (New) The mask according to claim 29, wherein a width of each of the plurality of strip-type slots is greater at its upper and lower circumferential edges than a corresponding width of each of the plurality of strip-type slots at a portion where the first and second angled surfaces meet.
- 46. (New) The mask according to claim 29, wherein the first angled surface extends uniformly along an entire upper inner circumferential edge of each of the plurality of strip-type slots, and the second angled surface extends uniformly along an entire lower inner circumferential edge of each of the plurality of strip-type slots.